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STEERABLE GUIDE CATHETER WITH PRE-SHAPED

ROTATABLE SHAFT

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By: Kelly S. Waltigney

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find a DUPLICATE COPY of the OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT in patent application serial no. 10/041,911 as was filed by facsimile (PTO Central Facsimile No. 703-872-9306) on July 13, 2004. This Paper was filed within three-months of the Office Action, date of mailing 4/13/2004.

This communication is responsive to the examining division's telephonic notice, that only the first sheet of the aforementioned Response is viewable in the USPTO imaged records. At the request of Ms. Ruby Johnson, Group 3700, a duplicate facsimile of this Paper was sent on July 29th to (703) 746-3424, however, we understand that the same technical problem resulted.

Therefore, in an abundance of caution, the undersigned attorney of record is providing a duplicate copy of the aforementioned <u>Response and Amendment</u>

<u>Paper July 13, 2004 by U.S. Postal Service</u>, and requests that the attached copy be entered and accorded its original transmission date of 7-13-2004, as

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A return postcard is attached for our additional records.

No additional fees or extensions should be incurred by the submission of this DUPLICATE Paper 7/13/2004, apart from those fees authorized by the previously filed Paper. However, should it be deemed necessary, authorization is given to charge/credit Deposit Account 50-0996 (GUID.038US01) additional fees as required by this resubmission.

A call is invited to the undersigned attorney, should any questions remain in this matter.

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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated April 13, 2004, please consider the following amendment and remarks. The amendments to the claims are presented in accordance with the "revised format" of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

Authorization is herewith given to charge **Deposit Account 50-0996**(GUID.038US01) \$198.00 for 11 additional dependent claims, with further authorization to charge/credit said Deposit Account to complete this filing

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.